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) Attorney Docket No.: 27433/04012

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1. Information Disclosure Statement;
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3. 4 References; and
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Dear Sir:

This information disclosure statement is being filed before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits. Applicants wish to disclose the following information:

REFERENCES

- The Applicants wish to make of record the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
- Listed on the attached PTO form 1449 is information known to persons substantively involved in the preparation of the application identified above, and is not a representation that more pertinent information does not exist.
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- Applicants hereby request consideration of the attached information.

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